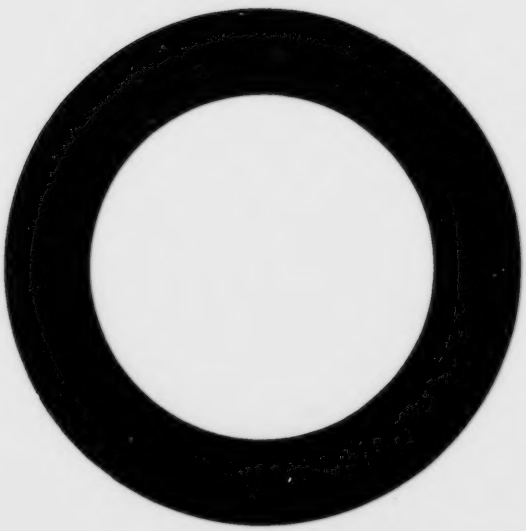

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Official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

10:00 — Trusteeship Council Chamber

An informal meeting (closed) of the plenary on the intergovernmental negotiations on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Council.

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (galindo@un.org; 212-963-5307).

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 18 January 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives.

Launch of the *Digital Journal of the United Nations*

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General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 — Closed — Conference Room 10

Standards of accommodation for air travel

Executive meeting

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1591 (2005) concerning the Sudan

15:00 to 18:00 — 9th meeting (closed) — Conference Room 7

Adoption of the agenda

Meeting with the Sudan and regional States

Other matters

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2018 regular session

10:00 to 13:00 — 9th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)] (E/C.2/2018/1)

15:00 to 18:00 — 10th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

Review of the methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, including the process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations, and Council decision 1995/304 [item 6] (E/C.2/2018/1)

Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note verbale to the secretariat of the Committee (Mr. Alexander Lomaia, lomaia@un.org, Mr. Victor Leu, leu@un.org and Ms. Lidija Komatina, komatina@un.org).

Background information on the Committee (its procedures, forms and documentation) is available on the website of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (*click here*).

Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.

Commission for Social Development
Fifty-sixth session

10:00	Informal consultations (closed) On the draft resolution entitled "Strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all" Convened by the Chair	Conference Room 4
11:00	Informal consultations (closed) On the draft resolution entitled "Social dimensions of the New Partnership for Africa's Development"	Conference Room B
15:00	Informal consultations (closed) On the draft resolution entitled "Strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all" Convened by the Chair	Conference Room 4

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/
United Nations Population Fund/
United Nations Office for Project Services

13:15 to 14:30	Closed meeting UNDP briefing on the working plan of engagement with the Executive Board on the implementation of the UNDP Strategic Plan 2018–2021 All interested delegations are invited.	Conference Room 11

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly
Seventy-second session

Monday, 5 February 2018

11:00	[webcast] Informal meeting of the plenary to hear a briefing on the G20 summit A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 26 January 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Intergovernmental conference and its preparatory process to adopt a global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration

Monday, 5 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 [webcast] Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal briefing by the co-facilitators to lead the intergovernmental consultations and negotiations on issues related to the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration to present the zero draft of the Global Compact.

Member States, observers, United Nations entities and stakeholders accredited to the preparatory process are invited to attend.

Tuesday, 6 February 2018

10:00 [webcast] Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations convened by the co-facilitators to lead the review of the arrangements contained in resolution 68/1 entitled "Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 61/16 on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council" and its annex (A/RES/68/1)

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 21 December 2017, 30 November 2017 and 29 January 2018, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Friday, 9 February 2018

10:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the proposed elements of the modalities draft resolution of the high-level meeting on the fight against tuberculosis.

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 29 January 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

Monday, 5 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 388th meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Adoption of the agenda (A/AC.183/2018/L.2)

Election of officers

Draft programme of work for 2018

Updates by Members and Observers of the Committee on their activities in relation to the Question of Palestine

Other matters

The meeting will be held at the ambassadorial level

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Monday, 12 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 1

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will hold its 2018 substantive session from Monday, 12 February 2018, to Friday, 9 March 2018. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 12 February 2018 at 10:00, in Conference Room 1.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 51/136, "those Member States which become personnel contributors to United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chair of the Committee, become members at the following session of the Committee become members at the following session of the Committee" (A/AC.121/2018/L.1, A/72/573, A/72/573/Add.1 and A/AC.121/2018/L.2 (to be issued)).

Member States wishing to submit such a request should address the request in advance of the session to the Chair of the Special Committee (Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Nigeria) and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat of the Committee.

States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to this session of the Special Committee should send a request to the Chair of the Special Committee (Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Nigeria), and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat of the Committee.

The list of speakers for the general debate is open.

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal.

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription.

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Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the established practice, statements made by individual delegations shall not exceed 10 minutes, and statements made on behalf of a group of States shall not exceed 20 minutes.

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The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery.

Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 20 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than one hour before delivery of the statement.

Members and observers of the Special Committee who wish to be included in the list of participants should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

Background information on the Special Committee will be available and accessible to Committee members and observers on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

Contacts: Sangeeta Sharma, Committee Secretary (sharma7@un.org), Henry Breed, Deputy Committee Secretary (breed@un.org); Lidija Komatina (for inquiries regarding the e-list of participants (komatina@un.org)), Tomas Casas (for inquiries regarding the e-list of speakers (casast@un.org)), Dino Del Vasto (del-vasto@un.org), DGACM Help-desk (help-desk@un.org).

Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

Tuesday, 20 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

The Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization will hold its 2018 session from 20 February 2018 to 28 February 2018.

The provisional agenda for the session is available on the website of the Special Committee (A/AC.182/L.147).

Other relevant documents for the session will also be posted on the website.

The list of speakers for the general debate, to be held on 20 February 2018, is open.

Delegations are urged to contact the secretariat of the Special Committee if they wish to be inscribed on the list.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 50/52 of 11 December 1995, the Special Committee is open to all States Members of the United Nations.

Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (6thcommittee@un.org).

Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

Thursday, 22 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 1

Permanent missions are kindly requested to communicate to the secretariat of the Special Committee the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Special Committee in 2018. States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to the 2018 session of the Special Committee should send a request (scanned note verbale) to the secretariat (Mr. Irfan Soomro, soomroi@un.org) (A/AC.109/2018/L.1 and A/AC.109/2018/L.2).

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Forty-sixth session

Monday, 5 to Friday 9 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Plenary meeting (closed)	Conference Room 6
15:00 to 18:00	Plenary meeting (closed)	Conference Room 6

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from Monday, 29 January 2018 to Friday, 2 February 2018, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from Monday, 12 February 2018 to Friday, 2 March 2018, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from Monday, 12 March 2018 to Friday, 16 March 2018, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Disarmament Commission

Wednesday, 21 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 1

Organizational session (A/CN.10/L.79 and A/CN.10/L.80)

Contacts: Alexander Lomaia, Secretary of the Commission (lomaia@un.org); Christa Giles, Deputy Secretary of the Commission (giles@un.org), Lidija Komatina (komatina@un.org), Martin Vrastiak (vrastiak@un.org).

Security Council

Tuesday, 6 February 2018

10:00 Security Council Chamber

Open debate in connection with the "Working methods of the Security Council" under the agenda item "Implementation of the note by the President of the Security Council (S/2017/507)" (S/2018/66)

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org), starting on Thursday, 1 February 2018, at 09:30.

Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail.

Delegations are requested to limit their statements to *no more than four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Security Council, Room S-2472, or e-mailed to dpa-scsb3@un.org. For queries, please call (212) 963-5258. For more information, please visit the website of the Presidency of the Security Council (please, *click here*).

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2374 (2017) concerning Mali

Monday, 5 February 2018

15:00 to 16:30	Closed	Conference Room 7
	Adoption of the agenda	
	Introduction of the Panel of Experts	

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Commission on the Status of Women

Thursday, 8 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00	Informal meeting	Conference Room 4
	Additional information on the work of the Commission can be found on its website *(click here)*.	

United Nations Children's Fund
Executive Board

Tuesday, 6 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	2nd plenary meeting	Conference Room 3
	Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available on the UNICEF Executive Board website.	
	Member states, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to send their credentials, by fax or e-mail, to the Office of the Secretary of the, Executive Board, as early as possible, but no later than Friday, 2 February 2018.	
	In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate in writing, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.	

The time limit set for statements during the general discussion is 3 minutes for individual delegations speaking in their national capacity and 5 minutes for delegations speaking on behalf of a group.

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To ensure that the Executive Board session is fully accessible, participants are kindly reminded of a few basic tenets that will enable all delegates to enjoy the full benefit of the deliberations.

To the extent possible, speakers are encouraged to introduce themselves and to read out and/or verbally describe visual materials in slides, charts and graphs.

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As per established practice, advance copies of all session documentation are available on the UNICEF Executive Board website

The upcoming session will be PaperSmart. During the session, hard copies will not be distributed. All documentation will be available to download through the UNICEF Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

The UNICEF Executive Board homepage will also provide a link to the PaperSmart portal.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board.

The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the PaperSmart portal.

Delegations presenting statements during the general discussion and on specific agenda items will be called upon by the President in the following order of priority:

Members of the Bureau of the UNICEF Executive Board who may wish to take the floor (organized by rank)

Representatives of United Nations Regional Groups speaking on behalf of their groups (organized by rank)

Permanent Missions of the United Nations that had sent in advance written requests to the UNICEF secretariat to take the floor at a specific time (with priority given to members of the Executive Board, followed by observers)

Delegations are encouraged to send in such requests in a timely fashion, with a clear indication in the subject line of the title and date of the meeting and agenda item.

Requests received from the floor through the electronic system, on a first come, first served basis.

Delegations are kindly requested to bring 10 copies of their statements to the conference officers for interpretation.

Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Contacts: Dillon Leano (dleano@unicef.org, 212-326-7112), Hikari Arai (harai@unicef.org, 212-326-7091 or 212-326-7096).

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 31 January 2018

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Commission for Social Development

Fifty-sixth session

[archived video]

7th meeting

Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly [item 3]

(b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups

(i) World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons

(ii) Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities

(iii) World Programme of Action for Youth

(iv) Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002

(v) Family issues, policies and programmes

Panel discussion on "Towards inclusive, resilient and sustainable development: an evidence-based approach to the mainstreaming of disability in the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the Agenda 2030"

The panel discussion was moderated by Ms. Venus Ilagan, Secretary-General of Rehabilitation International and former president of Disabled People's International.

The panellists were the following: Ms. Zhang Haidi, Chairperson of China Disabled Persons' Federation; Ms. Catalina Devandas Aguilar, Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; Ms. Mary Crock, Professor at the Faculty of Law at the University of Sydney, Australia; and Ms. Margaret Mbogoni, Senior Statistician at the United Nations Statistics Division of the Department for Social and Economic Affairs.

An interactive discussion ensued, during which interventions were made by the representatives of Romania, Namibia, the Sudan and Mexico as well as by the observers for Argentina, Guatemala, Indonesia, Kenya, Costa Rica, South Africa, Cuba, the Dominican Republic and Nigeria.

The observer of the European Union also made comments and posed a question.

A statement was also made by the representative of the United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction.

The representative of the Gray Panthers, a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, also participated in the dialogue.

Thursday, 1 February 2018

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2018 regular session

[archived video]

7th meeting

New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification [item 3 (b)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, South Africa, the United States, China, the Sudan, Pakistan, Turkey, Mauritania, the Russian Federation and India.

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan, Mauritania, India, Azerbaijan, Turkey, China and Burundi.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to 13 non-governmental organizations.

8th meeting

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

The Committee resumed consideration of this sub-item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Turkey, Cuba, Pakistan, the Russian Federation, South Africa, the Islamic Republic of Iran, India, China, the Sudan and Burundi, as well as by the observer from Indonesia.

The Acting Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

The representatives of Israel, China, the United States, India, Turkey, Cuba and Burundi posed questions, to which the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations responded: UNESCO Center for Peace; Palestinian Association for Human Rights; Chinese Culture Promotion Society; Iraqi Al-Amal Association; Public Aid Organization; Coptic Solidarity; and The World Union of Cossack Atamans.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to 5 non-governmental organizations.

Commission for Social Development

Fifty-sixth session

[archived video]

8th meeting

Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly [item 3]

(a) Priority theme: strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all

(b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups

(i) World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons

(ii) Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities

(iii) World Programme of Action for Youth

(iv) Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002

(v) Family issues, policies and programmes

A participant of the Youth Forum of the Economic and Social Council, held on 30 and 31 January 2018, made a statement.

General discussion

The Commission resumed its joint general discussion of sub-items 3 (a) and 3 (b) and heard statements by the representatives of Senegal, France, Qatar, Bulgaria, Romania, Bangladesh and the Plurinational State of Bolivia.

The observers for Afghanistan, Morocco, Germany, Poland, the Netherlands, Serbia, Finland, Cuba, Mali, Cabo Verde, Botswana, Pakistan, Nicaragua, Italy, Monaco and Maldives made statements.

The representative of Soroptimist International, a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, also made a statement.

9th meeting

The summary of the 9th meeting of the Commission for Social Development, will appear in the next issue of the Journal (No. 2018/24).

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 71/323, material published under the sections below is available in *English and French only*.

Informal meetings

The agenda of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/72/251 and A/72/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

Friday, 2 February 2018

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the United Nations Disarmament Commission agenda (under agenda items 4 and 5) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Australia)

10:30 to 13:00 Conference Room C

Other meetings

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Friday, 2 February 2018

Group of 77 (on the Commission for Social Development)

09:00 to 11:00 Closed meeting Conference Room A

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Public briefing on the Inter-Agency Task Force on Financing for Development on the Global Economic Context (organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

10:00 to 12:00 [webcast] Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Peter Chowla (chowla@un.org; 212-963-8618).

Event entitled "Reconciliation and Peace in Colombia: Confidence-Building Developments and Continuing Challenges" (A/RES/70/181) (co-organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See, the Permanent Mission of Colombia, and Caritas Internationalis, the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies and Catholic Peacebuilding Network)

11:00 to 13:00 [webcast] Conference Room 6

For further information, please contact the Permanent Observer of the Holy See (office@holyseemission.org; 212-370-7885); or *click here* to register.

Briefing on the preparations for the sixty-first session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (organized by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

13:15 to 14:45 Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Yu Pin (chan7@un.org).

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link below *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming informal meetings

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General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Development of a Global Pact for the Environment" (under agenda item 14) (convened by the Permanent Mission of France)

Tuesday, 6 February 2018

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 8

Forthcoming other meetings

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Event entitled "Staying below 1.5° C to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Belize)

Monday, 5 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sharleen Henderson (blzun@belizemission.com; 212-986-1240).

Presentation on the Candidacy of Baku for World EXPO 2025 (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan)

Wednesday, 7 February 2018

12:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

For further information, please contact Mr. Ilkin Hajivey (646-738-6265).

Briefing entitled "Artificial Intelligence: A Practical Introduction @ TechNovation Talks" (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations Office of Information Communication Technology (OICT))

Thursday, 8 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room D

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room D

All are invited. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact Mr. Nicholas Mirabile, UNITAR New York Office (e-mails nicholas.mirabile@unitar.org or nyo@unitar.org; 212-963-4611).

International Telecommunication Union (ITU) briefing on "The role of ICTs in accelerating the achievement of the SDGs (HLPF 2018: Transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies" (co-organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and GSMA, the mobile industry association)

Thursday, 8 February 2018

13:15 to 14:30 .. Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Sharon London, ITU Liaison Office to the United Nations (london@un.org; 212-963-6121).

Third Commemoration of the International Day of Women and Girls in Science Forum (co-organized by the Royal Academy of Science International Trust, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica, Hungary, Malta and Viet Nam)

Thursday, 8 and Friday, 9 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Anneliese Sammut (anneliese.sammut@gov.mt).

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Monday, 5 February 2018

Official meetings

Security Council

10:00 — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

Middle East (Syria) (S/2018/84)

Other matters

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General Assembly

Seventy-second session

11:00 — [webcast] — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal meeting of the plenary to hear a briefing on the G20 summit

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 26 January 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

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General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Intergovernmental conference and its preparatory process to adopt a global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration

15:00 to 18:00 — Informal briefing [webcast] — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal briefing by the co-facilitators to lead the intergovernmental consultations and negotiations on issues related to the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration to present the zero draft of the Global Compact.

Member States, observers, United Nations entities and stakeholders accredited to the preparatory process are invited to attend.

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 30 January 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 10

Restructuring of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights: increasing efficiency and effectiveness in the implementation of General Assembly Resolution

15:00 to 18:00 — Closed — Conference Room 10

United Nations Office for Partnerships

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

10:00 to 13:00 — 388th meeting [webcast] — Economic and Social Council Chamber

Adoption of the agenda (A/AC.183/2018/L.2)

Election of officers

Draft programme of work for 2018

Updates by Members and Observers of the Committee on their activities in relation to the Question of Palestine

Other matters

The meeting will be held at the ambassadorial level.

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf

Forty-sixth session

10:00 to 13:00 — Plenary meeting (closed) — Conference Room 6

15:00 to 18:00 Plenary meeting (closed) Conference Room 6

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from Monday, 12 February 2018 to Friday, 2 March 2018, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from Monday, 12 March 2018 to Friday, 16 March 2018, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2374 (2017) concerning Mali

15:00 to 16:30 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 7

Adoption of the agenda

Introduction of the Panel of Experts

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006)

16:30 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 7

Briefing by the Ambassador of Russian Federation to Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Programme of work of the Committee

Discussion of pending matters

Other matters

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

15:00 to 18:00 Briefing Economic and Social Council Chamber

The Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, His Excellency Marc Pecsteen de Buytswerve (Belgium), will convene a briefing on the repositioning of the United Nations development system, in preparation for the operational activities for development segment of the Council.

The briefing, with the participation of the Deputy Secretary-General, Ms. Amina Mohammed, and the Vice-Chair of the United Nations Development Group, Mr. Achim Steiner, will focus on the system-wide strategic document for collective action in support of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The briefing is open to all Member States.

For further information *click here* or *here*.

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2018 regular session

10:00 to 13:00 — 11th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

Applications of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council that have merged with non governmental organizations without such consultative status [item 3 (c)]

Review of the methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, including the process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations, and Council decision 1995/304 [item 6]

(E/C.2/2018/1)

15:00 to 18:00 — 12th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council [item 4 (b)]

Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council [item 4 (a)]

Other related matters [item 6 (c)]

(E/C.2/2018/1)

Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note verbale to the secretariat of the Committee (Mr. Alexander Lomaia, lomaia@un.org, Mr. Victor Leu, leu@un.org and Ms. Lidija Komatina, komatina@un.org).

Background information on the Committee (its procedures, forms and documentation) is available on the website of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (*click here*).

Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.

Commission for Social Development
Fifty-sixth session

10:00 to 13:00 — 10th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly [item 3] (A/73/61–E/2018/4, E/CN.5/2018/2, E/CN.5/2018/3 and E/CN.5/2018/4)

Priority theme: strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all

Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups

World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons

Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities

World Programme of Action for Youth

Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002

Family issues, policies and programmes

General discussion on item 3 (a) and (b) *(continued)*

15:00 to 16:00 — 11th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly [item 3] (A/73/61/E/2018/4, E/CN.5/2018/2, E/CN.5/2018/3 and E/CN.5/2018/4)

Priority theme: strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all

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Family issues, policies and programmes

General discussion on item 3 (a) and (b) *(continued and concluded)*

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Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Tuesday, 6 February 2018

10:00 — [webcast] — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations convened by the co-facilitators to lead the review of the arrangements contained in resolution 68/1 entitled "Review of the implementation of

General Assembly resolution 61/16 on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council" and its annex (A/RES/68/1)

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 21 December 2017, 30 November 2017 and 29 January 2018, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Friday, 9 February 2018

10:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the proposed elements of the modalities draft resolution of the high-level meeting on the fight against tuberculosis.

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 29 January 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Monday, 12 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 254th plenary meeting Conference Room 1

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will hold its 2018 substantive session from Monday, 12 February 2018, to Friday, 9 March 2018. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 12 February 2018 at 10:00, in Conference Room 1.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 51/136, "those Member States which become personnel contributors to United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chair of the Committee, become members at the following session of the Committee become members at the following session of the Committee" (A/AC.121/2018/L.1, A/72/573, A/72/573/Add.1 and A/AC.121/2018/L.2 (to be issued)).

Member States wishing to submit such a request should address the request in advance of the session to the Chair of the Special Committee (Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Nigeria) and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat of the Committee.

States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to this session of the Special Committee should send a request to the Chair of the Special Committee (Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Nigeria), and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat of the Committee.

The list of speakers for the general debate is open.

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal.

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription.

For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact the DGACM Help-desk (help-desk@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the established practice, statements made by individual delegations shall not exceed 10 minutes, and statements made on behalf of a group of States shall not exceed 20 minutes.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least 2 hour(s) in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.

The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery.

Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 20 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than one hour before delivery of the statement.

Members and observers of the Special Committee who wish to be included in the list of participants should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

Background information on the Special Committee will be available and accessible to Committee members and observers on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

Contacts: Sangeeta Sharma, Committee Secretary (sharma7@un.org), Henry Breed, Deputy Committee Secretary (breed@un.org); Lidija Komatina (for inquiries regarding the e-list of participants (komatina@un.org)), Tomas Casas (for inquiries regarding the e-list of speakers (casast@un.org)), Dino Del Vasto (del-vasto@un.org), DGACM Help-desk (help-desk@un.org).

High-level Preparatory Group on a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices

Thursday, 15 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Open-ended informal consultative meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00	Open-ended informal consultative meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2

Friday, 16 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Open-ended informal consultative meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00	Open-ended informal consultative meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2

Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices

In accordance with resolution A/RES/71/259, an open-ended informal consultative meeting, organized by the Chair of the high-level fissile material cut-off treaty expert preparatory group will be held on a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices.

This meeting has been convened in order for the Chair to provide a report in her own capacity on the work of the high-level FMCT expert preparatory group.

All interested non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

Representatives of non-governmental organizations not in possession of a valid ground pass to the United Nations Headquarters in New York are requested to register with the Secretariat by 8 February 2018.

For further information, please contact the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs.

Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

Tuesday, 20 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

The Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization will hold its 2018 session from 20 February 2018 to 28 February 2018.

The provisional agenda for the session is available on the website of the Special Committee (A/AC.182/L.147).

Other relevant documents for the session will also be posted on the website.

The list of speakers for the general debate, to be held on 20 February 2018, is open.

Delegations are urged to contact the secretariat of the Special Committee if they wish to be inscribed on the list.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 50/52 of 11 December 1995, the Special Committee is open to all States Members of the United Nations.

Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (6thcommittee@un.org).

Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

Thursday, 22 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 1st plenary meeting [webcast] Conference Room 1

Permanent missions are kindly requested to communicate to the secretariat of the Special Committee the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Special Committee in 2018. States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to the 2018 session of the Special Committee should send a request (scanned note verbale) to the secretariat (Mr. Irfan Soomro, soomroi@un.org) (A/AC.109/2018/L.1 and A/AC.109/2018/L.2).

Disarmament Commission

Wednesday, 21 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 1

Organizational session (A/CN.10/L.79 and A/CN.10/L.80)

Contacts: Alexander Lomaia, Secretary of the Commission (lomaia@un.org); Christa Giles, Deputy Secretary of the Commission (giles@un.org), Lidija Komatina (komatina@un.org), Martin Vrastiak (vrastiak@un.org).

Security Council

Tuesday, 6 February 2018

10:00 Security Council Chamber

Open debate in connection with the "Working methods of the Security Council" under the agenda item "Implementation of the note by the President of the Security Council (S/2017/507)" (S/2018/66)

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org), starting on Thursday, 1 February 2018, at 09:30.

Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail.

Delegations are requested to limit their statements to *no more than four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Security Council, Room S-2472, or e-mailed to dpa-scsb3@un.org. For queries, please call (212) 963-5258. For more information, please visit the website of the Presidency of the Security Council (please, *click here*).

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1970 (2011) concerning Libya

Friday,9 February 2018

15:00 to 17:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 7

Interim report of the Panel of Experts on Libya pursuant to resolution 2362 (2017)

Other matters

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Commission on the Status of Women

Thursday, 8 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Informal briefing Conference Room 4

Additional information on the work of the Commission can be found on its website *(click here)*.

Briefing convened by the facilitator, Vice-Chair (Colombia) on the draft agreed conclusions and by the facilitator, Vice-Chair (Bangladesh), to provide an update on consultations on how best to utilize the year 2020

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Tuesday, 6 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 2nd plenary meeting [webcast] Conference Room 3

Tuesday, 6 and Wednesday, 7 February 2018

13:15 to 14:45 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 3

Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available on the UNICEF Executive Board website.(E/ICEF/2018/1)

Member states, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to send their credentials, by fax or e-mail, to the Office of the Secretary of the, Executive Board, as early as possible, but no later than Friday, 2 February 2018.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate in writing, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

The time limit set for statements during the general discussion is 3 minutes for individual delegations speaking in their national capacity and 5 minutes for delegations speaking on behalf of a group.

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As per established practice, advance copies of all session documentation are available on the UNICEF Executive Board website

The upcoming session will be PaperSmart. During the session, hard copies will not be distributed. All documentation will be available to download through the UNICEF Executive Board PaperSmart portal. The UNICEF Executive Board homepage will also provide a link to the PaperSmart portal.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board.

The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the PaperSmart portal.

Delegations presenting statements during the general discussion and on specific agenda items will be called upon by the President in the following order of priority:

Members of the Bureau of the UNICEF Executive Board who may wish to take the floor (organized by rank)

Representatives of United Nations Regional Groups speaking on behalf of their groups (organized by rank)

Permanent Missions of the United Nations that had sent in advance written requests to the UNICEF secretariat to take the floor at a specific time (with priority given to members of the Executive Board, followed by observers)

Delegations are encouraged to send in such requests in a timely fashion, with a clear indication in the subject line of the title and date of the meeting and agenda item.

Requests received from the floor through the electronic system, on a first come, first served basis. Delegations are kindly requested to bring 10 copies of their statements to the conference officers for interpretation.

Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Contacts: Dillon Leano (dleano@unicef.org, 212-326-7112), Hikari Arai (harai@unicef.org, 212-326-7091 or 212-326-7096).

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 1 February 2018

Economic and Social Council
2018 session

Commission for Social Development
Fifty-sixth session

[archived video]

9th meeting — *Programme questions and other matters* [item 4]

The Commission began its consideration of the agenda item.

Following a statement by the Chair, the Commission concluded its consideration of the item.

Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly [item 3]

(a) Priority theme: strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all

(b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups

(i) World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons

(ii) Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities

(iii) World Programme of Action for Youth

(iv) Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002

(v) Family issues, policies and programmes

General discussion

The Commission continued its joint general discussion of sub-items 3 (a) and (b) and heard statements by the representatives of Benin, Brazil, China, the Republic of Korea, Iraq, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Austria, the Republic of Moldova, Colombia, Japan and the United States.

The observers for Cameroon, Turkey, Zambia, the Philippines, Viet Nam, Myanmar, Honduras, Nepal, Ecuador, Sweden, India, Sri Lanka, Libya, Nigeria, Azerbaijan and Jamaica made statements.

A statement was also made by the observer for the Holy See.

The representative of the International Federation on Ageing, a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, also made a statement.

Friday, 2 February 2018

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2018 regular session

[archived video]

9th meeting

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of China, Nicaragua, the Russian Federation, Turkey, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Cuba, the Islamic Republic of Iran, South Africa, Azerbaijan, Israel, Mauritania, Pakistan, Burundi, Sudan, India, Uruguay and the United States as well as the representative from the Observer State of the Syrian Arab Republic.

The representative of the United States raised a point of order.

The Acting Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to 5 non-governmental organizations.

10th meeting

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

The Committee resumed consideration of this sub-item.

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran raised a point of order.

A statement was made by the representative of the United States requesting granting the consultative status to the Non-Governmental Organization "US Committee for Human Rights in North Korea".

Statements were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Russian Federation.

The representative of the United States requested a vote on granting consultative status to the Non-Governmental Organization "US Committee for Human Rights in North Korea".

The observers from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the European Union made statements.

Statements on the explanations of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of China, the Russian Federation and Uruguay.

Statements were also made by the Chairman and the Secretary of the Committee.

The Committee by a roll call vote of 5 to 9 with 2 abstentions rejected the proposal of the United States.

Statements on the explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Nicaragua, Pakistan and the Russian Federation.

The observer from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea also made a statement.

Statements were made by the United States, the Russian Federation, India, Cuba, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Nicaragua, Pakistan, the Sudan, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Mauritania, Burundi, Azerbaijan, South Africa, Greece and Israel.

The representatives of the Russian Federation, India and the Sudan posed questions, to which the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations responded: The World Union of Cossack Atamans; Ambedkar Center for Justice and Peace; and The International Center for Supporting Rights and Freedoms.

The Secretary of the Committee provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to one non-governmental organization.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 71/323, material published under the sections below is available in *English and French only*.

Other meetings

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Monday, 5 February 2018

Event entitled "Staying below 1.5° C to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Belize)

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sharleen Henderson (blzun@belizemission.com; 212-986-1240).

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link below *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming informal meetings

The agenda of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/72/251 and A/72/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Development of a Global Pact for the Environment" (under agenda item 14) (convened by the Permanent Mission of France)

Tuesday, 6 February 2018

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 8

Forthcoming other meetings

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Group of Landlocked Developing Countries (at the ambassadorial level)

Tuesday 6 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

Presentation on the Candidacy of Baku for World EXPO 2025 (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan)

Wednesday, 7 February 2018

12:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

For further information, please contact Mr. Ilkin Hajivey (646-738-6265).

Briefing entitled "Artificial Intelligence: A Practical Introduction @ TechNovation Talks" (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations Office of Information Communication Technology (OICT))

Thursday, 8 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room D

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room D

All are invited. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact Mr. Nicholas Mirabile, UNITAR New York Office (e-mails nicholas.mirabile@unitar.org, or nyo@unitar.org; 212-963-4611).

Event on the theme "Dimensions of Dialogue: Expanding Social Media as a Space for Constructive Encounter for Young People" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Austria, Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Spain and the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See, together with the KAICIID Dialogue Centre and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF))

Thursday, 8 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Pau Petit Iglesias (colaboradores.ppi@maec.es).

Third Commemoration of the International Day of Women and Girls in Science Forum (co-organized by the Royal Academy of Science International Trust, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica, Hungary, Malta and Viet Nam)

Thursday, 8 and Friday, 9 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Anneliese Sammut (anneliese.sammut@gov.mt); or *click here*.

International Telecommunication Union (ITU) briefing on "The role of ICTs in accelerating the achievement of the SDGs (HLPF 2018: Transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies" (co-organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and GSMA, the mobile industry association)

Thursday, 8 February 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sharon London, ITU Liaison Office to the United Nations (london@un.org; 212-963-6121).

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Material related to informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions, other meetings and side events should be addressed to the attention of Ms. Lilian Delgado (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 212-963-3888 and 963-0493; *Secretariat Building, 12th Floor, 01-C*). The *deadline* for submissions is 18:00, at least *two days in advance*.

The office of the Journal Unit opens at 15:00.

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Official meetings

Security Council

10:00 — 8175th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

Adoption of the agenda

Implementation of the note by the President of the Security Council (S/2017/507)

Working methods of the Security Council

Letter dated 24 January 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Kuwait to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2018/66)

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Security Council, Room S-2472, or e-mailed to dpa-sesb3@un.org. For queries, please call (212) 963-5258. Delegations are requested to limit their statements to *no more than four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or email, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting. For more information, please visit the website of the Presidency of the Security Council (please, *click here*).

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General Assembly

Seventy-second session

10:00 — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations convened by the co-facilitators to lead the review of the arrangements contained in resolution 68/1 entitled "Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 61/16 on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council" and its annex (A/RES/68/1)

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 21 December 2017, 30 November 2017 and 29 January 2018, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 10

Updated financial position of closed peacekeeping missions

Executive meeting

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group II

10:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 2

15:00 to 18:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 2

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf

Forty-sixth session

10:00 to 13:00 — Plenary meeting (closed) — Conference Room 6

15:00 to 18:00 — Plenary meeting (closed) — Conference Room 6

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from Monday, 12 February 2018 to Friday, 2 March 2018, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from Monday, 12 March 2018 to Friday, 16 March 2018, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Economic and Social Council
2018 session

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2018 regular session

10:00 to 13:00 — 13th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

Applications of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council that have merged with non-governmental organizations without such consultative status [item 3 (c)]

New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification [item 3 (b)]

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council [item 4 (b)]

Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council [item 4 (a)]

Other related matters [item 6 (c)]

(E/C.2/2018/1)

15:00 to 18:00 — 14th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council [item 4 (b)]

Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council [item 4 (a)]

Other related matters [item 6 (c)]

New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification [item 3 (b)]

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

(E/C.2/2018/1)

Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note verbale to the secretariat of the Committee (Mr. Alexander Lomaia, lomaia@un.org, Mr. Victor Leu, leu@un.org and Ms. Lidija Komatina, komatina@un.org).

Background information on the Committee (its procedures, forms and documentation) is available on the website of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (*click here*).

Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.

United Nations Children's Fund
Executive Board

08:30 to 09:45	Informal meeting (closed)	Conference Room A
10:00 to 13:00	2nd plenary meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 3

Opening of the session: Statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Executive Director of UNICEF [item 1]

Adoption of the provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work [item 3] (E/ICEF/2018/1)

13:15 to 14:45	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3
15:00 to 18:00	3rd plenary meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 3

UNICEF programme cooperation [item 6]

Country programme documents

Middle East and North Africa: Jordan

West and Central Africa: Cabo Verde, Ghana and Mauritania

Oral update on UNICEF humanitarian action [item 5]

(E/ICEF/2018/P/L.1, DP/FPA/OPS-ICEF/CCPD/2018/CPV1, E/ICEF/2018/P/L.3 and E/ICEF/2018/P/L.2)

Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available on the UNICEF Executive Board website

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate in writing, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

The time limit set for statements during the general discussion is 3 minutes for individual delegations speaking in their national capacity and 5 minutes for delegations speaking on behalf of a group.

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To the extent possible, speakers are encouraged to introduce themselves and to read out and/or verbally describe visual materials in slides, charts and graphs.

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UNICEF would be happy to put delegates in touch with the Centre, or with advance notice they can let us know what services they wish us to procure on their behalf.

As per established practice, advance copies of all session documentation are available on the UNICEF Executive Board website

The upcoming session will be PaperSmart. During the session, hard copies will not be distributed. All documentation will be available to download through the UNICEF Executive Board PaperSmart portal. The UNICEF Executive Board homepage will also provide a link to the PaperSmart portal.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board.

The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the PaperSmart portal.

Delegations presenting statements during the general discussion and on specific agenda items will be called upon by the President in the following order of priority:

Members of the Bureau of the UNICEF Executive Board who may wish to take the floor (organized by rank)

Representatives of United Nations Regional Groups speaking on behalf of their groups (organized by rank)

Permanent Missions of the United Nations that had sent in advance written requests to the UNICEF secretariat to take the floor at a specific time (with priority given to members of the Executive Board, followed by observers)

Delegations are encouraged to send in such requests in a timely fashion, with a clear indication in the subject line of the title and date of the meeting and agenda item.

Requests received from the floor through the electronic system, on a first come, first served basis. Delegations are kindly requested to bring 10 copies of their statements to the conference officers for interpretation.

Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Contacts: Dillon Leano (dleano *at* unicef.org, 212-326-7112), Hikari Arai (harai *at* unicef.org, 212-326-7091 or 212-326-7096).

The Western European and Other States Group *will meet daily* from 08:30 to 09:45, in Conference Room A

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Friday, 9 February 2018

10:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the proposed elements of the modalities draft resolution of the high-level meeting on the fight against tuberculosis.

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 29 January 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Wednesday, 7 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	

Thursday, 8 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Results of the revised survey to establish the standard rate of reimbursement to troop-contributing countries Executive meeting	

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Forty-sixth session

Wednesday, 7 to Friday, 9 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Plenary meeting (closed)	Conference Room 6
15:00 to 18:00	Plenary meeting (closed)	Conference Room 6
	There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from Monday, 12 February 2018 to Friday, 2 March 2018, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).	
	There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from Monday, 12 March 2018 to Friday, 16 March 2018, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).	

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Monday, 12 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	254th plenary meeting	Conference Room 1
	The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will hold its 2018 substantive session from Monday, 12 February 2018, to Friday, 9 March 2018. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 12 February 2018 at 10:00, in Conference Room 1.	
	In accordance with General Assembly resolution 51/136, "those Member States which become personnel contributors to United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chair of the Committee, become members at the following session of the Committee become members at the following session of the Committee" (A/AC.121/2018/L.1, A/72/573, A/72/573/Add.1 and A/AC.121/2018/L.2 (to be issued)).	

Member States wishing to submit such a request should address the request in advance of the session to the Chair of the Special Committee (Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Nigeria) and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat of the Committee.

States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to this session of the Special Committee should send a request to the Chair of the Special Committee (Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Nigeria), and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat of the Committee.

The list of speakers for the general debate is open.

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal.

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription.

For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact the DGACM Help-desk (help-desk@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the established practice, statements made by individual delegations shall not exceed 10 minutes, and statements made on behalf of a group of States shall not exceed 20 minutes.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least 2 hours in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.

The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery.

Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 20 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than one hour before delivery of the statement.

Members and observers of the Special Committee who wish to be included in the list of participants should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

Background information on the Special Committee will be available and accessible to Committee members and observers on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

Contacts: Sangeeta Sharma, Committee Secretary (sharma7@un.org), Henry Breed, Deputy Committee Secretary (breed@un.org); Lidija Komatina (for inquiries regarding the e-list of participants (komatina@un.org)), Tomas Casas (for inquiries regarding the e-list of speakers (casast@un.org)), Dino Del Vasto (del-vasto@un.org), DGACM Help-desk (help-desk@un.org).

High-level Preparatory Group on a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices

Thursday, 15 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Open-ended informal consultative meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00	Open-ended informal consultative meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2

Friday, 16 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Open-ended informal consultative meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00	Open-ended informal consultative meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2

Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices

In accordance with resolution A/RES/71/259, an open-ended informal consultative meeting, organized by the Chair of the high-level fissile material cut-off treaty expert preparatory group will be held on a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices.

This meeting has been convened in order for the Chair to provide a report in her own capacity on the work of the high-level FMCT expert preparatory group.

All interested non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

Representatives of non-governmental organizations not in possession of a valid ground pass to the United Nations Headquarters in New York are requested to register with the Secretariat by 8 February 2018.

For further information, please contact the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs.

Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

Tuesday, 20 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00		Conference Room 3

The Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization will hold its 2018 session from 20 February 2018 to 28 February 2018.

The provisional agenda for the session is available on the website of the Special Committee (A/AC.182/L.147).

Other relevant documents for the session will also be posted on the website.

The list of speakers for the general debate, to be held on 20 February 2018, is open.

Delegations are urged to contact the secretariat of the Special Committee if they wish to be inscribed on the list.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 50/52 of 11 December 1995, the Special Committee is open to all States Members of the United Nations.

Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (6thcommittee@un.org).

Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

Thursday, 22 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 — 1st plenary meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

Permanent missions are kindly requested to communicate to the secretariat of the Special Committee the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Special Committee in 2018. States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to the 2018 session of the Special Committee should send a request (scanned note verbale) to the secretariat (Mr. Irfan Soomro, soomroi@un.org) (A/AC.109/2018/L.1 and A/AC.109/2018/L.2).

Disarmament Commission

Wednesday, 21 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 — Conference Room 1

Organizational session (A/CN.10/L.79 and A/CN.10/L.80)

Contacts: Alexander Lomaia, Secretary of the Commission (lomaia@un.org); Christa Giles, Deputy Secretary of the Commission (giles@un.org), Lidija Komatina (komatina@un.org), Martin Vrastiak (vrastiak@un.org)

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1970 (2011) concerning Libya

Friday, 9 February 2018

15:00 to 17:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 7

Interim report of the Panel of Experts on Libya pursuant to resolution 2362 (2017)

Other matters

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Monday, 12 February 2018

15:00 to 15:15 — Plenary meeting [webcast] — Economic and Social Council Chamber

Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments.

A list of candidates for the election, as well as supporting documentation, can be consulted on Candiweb.

For more information, please visit the website of the Council (*click here*), for PaperSmart (*click here*).

Commission on the Status of Women

Thursday, 8 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00	Informal briefing	Conference Room 4

Additional information on the work of the Commission can be found on its website *(click here)*.

Briefing convened by the facilitator, Vice-Chair (Colombia) on the draft agreed conclusions and by the facilitator, Vice-Chair (Bangladesh), to provide an update on consultations on how best to utilize the year 2020.

United Nations Children's Fund
Executive Board

Wednesday, 7 February 2018

08:30 to 09:45	Informal meeting (closed)	Conference Room A
10:00 to 13:00	4th plenary meeting	Conference Room 3
13:15 to 14:45	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3
15:00 to 18:00	5th plenary meeting	Conference Room 3

Thursday, 8 February 2018

08:30 to 09:45	Informal meeting (closed)	Conference Room A
10:00 to 12:00	6th plenary meeting	Conference Room 3

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 5 February 2018

Security Council

[archived video]

8174th meeting — *The situation in the Middle East*

Letter dated 1 February 2018 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2018/84)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Ms. Izumi Nakamitsu, High Representative for Disarmament Affairs, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Ms. Nakamitsu.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, the United Kingdom, France, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Kazakhstan, Peru, Sweden, Poland, Equatorial Guinea, the Russian Federation, Côte d'Ivoire, China, the Netherlands and Ethiopia; and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Kuwait.

A further statement was made by the United Kingdom.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic.

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

[archived video]

388th meeting

Adoption of the Agenda (A/AC.183/2018/L.1)

The Committee adopted the agenda of the meeting.

Election of officers

The Committee re-elected His Excellency Fodé Seck (Senegal) as Chair; His Excellency Mahmoud Saikal (Afghanistan), Her Excellency Anayansi Rodriguez Camejo (Cuba), His Excellency Dian Triansyah Djani (Indonesia), His Excellency Neville Melvin Gertze (Namibia) and Her Excellency Maria Rubiales de Chamorro (Nicaragua) as Vice-Chairs; and His Excellency Carmelo Inguanez (Malta) as Rapporteur.

The Permanent Representative of Senegal made a statement in his capacity as Chair of the Committee.

The Secretary General made a statement.

The Chair of the Committee made a statement.

A statement was made by the Deputy Permanent Observer of the State of Palestine.

Draft programme of work of the Committee (A/AC.183/2018/L.2)

The Chair, on behalf of the Bureau, introduced the draft programme of work of the Committee for 2018 (A/AC.183/2018/L.2).

The Committee adopted its programme of work for 2018.

A statement was made by the Representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

Update by Members and Observers of the Committee on their activities in relation to the Question of Palestine

A statement was made by the Deputy Permanent Observer of the State of Palestine.

The Chair of the Committee made a statement in his capacity as Permanent Representative of Senegal.

A statement was made by the Permanent Representative of the State of Namibia.

A statement was made by the Permanent Representative of the State of Nicaragua.

A statement was made by the Permanent Representative of the State of Cuba.

A statement was made by the Representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

A statement was made by the Permanent Representative of Indonesia.

A statement was made by the Permanent Representative of Lebanon.

A statement was made by the Permanent Representative of Afghanistan.

A statement was made by the Representative of the League of Arab States.

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2018 regular session

[archived video]

11th meeting

Election of officers [item 1]

The Committee elected, by acclamation, Mr. Farid Jabrayilov (Azerbaijan) as Vice-Chair of the Committee.

The Committee also took note that Mr. Farid Jabrayilov (Azerbaijan) agreed to serve as Rapporteur of the Committee.

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of India, the United States, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, South Africa, Israel, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Russian Federation, Burundi, China, Sudan, Turkey, Cuba, Azerbaijan and Pakistan.

The representative of the United States requested a vote on granting consultative status to the non-governmental organization "Iran Human Rights Documentation Center".

Statements were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Russian Federation and the United States.

The representative of Cuba raised a point of order.

Statements were made by the representatives of the observer States of Canada and the European Union.

The Committee, by a roll call vote of 4 to 9 with 2 abstentions rejected the proposal of the United States.

The representative of the Russian Federation made a statement in explanation of vote after the vote.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Russian Federation and Cuba.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to one non-governmental organization.

12th meeting

Applications for consultative status deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

The Committee resumed consideration of this sub-item.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Cuba, the United States, Greece, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, India, Pakistan, Turkey and China.

Requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, the United States and Turkey.

The Acting Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

The Committee decided to recommend that the status of 1 non-governmental organization be reclassified from roster to special consultative status.

Review of the methods of work of the Committee [item 6]

The Chair made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, India, the United States, the Russian Federation, China, Turkey, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Uruguay and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

The Acting Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

Commission for Social Development
Fifty-sixth session

[archived video]

10th meeting

Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly [item 3]

(a) Priority theme: strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all

(b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups

(i) World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons

(ii) Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities

(iii) World Programme of Action for Youth

(iv) Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002

(v) Family issues, policies and programmes

General discussion

The Commission continued its joint general discussion of sub-items 3 (a) and (b) and heard statements by the representative of Malawi and the observer for Guinea.

Statements were made by the representatives of the International Labour Organization, International Telecommunication Union, Food and Agricultural Organization, Joint

United Nations Programme on HIV and AIDS, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, and Regional Commissions New York Office on behalf of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia and the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council: International Federation for Family Development, International Movement ATD Fourth World, Society of Catholic Medical Missionaries, WOOMB International Ltd., Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Loreto Generalate, International Federation of Associations of the Elderly, UDISHA, International Relations Students' Association of McGill University, Hope Foundation NGO, S. M. Sehgal Foundation, Hellenic Association of Political Scientists, Bäuerliche Erzeugergemeinschaft Schwäbisch Hall w.V., BJD Reinsurance Consulting, LLC, World Organization for Early Childhood Education, African Youth Movement, Irene Menakaya School Onitsha and International Committee For Peace And Reconciliation.

The Commission thus concluded its general discussion under item 3, as a whole.

11th meeting — The summary of the 11th meeting of the Commission for Social Development, will appear in the next issue of the Journal (No. 2018/26).

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 71/323, material published under the sections below is available in *English and French only*.

Informal meetings

The agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/71/251 and A/71/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

Tuesday, 6 February 2018

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Development of a Global Pact for the Environment" (under agenda item 14) (convened by the Permanent Mission of France)

10:00 to 12:00 — Conference Room 8

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International Association of Permanent Representatives to the United Nations" (under agenda item 123) (convened by the Permanent Missions of Belarus and Honduras)

15:00 to 16:15 — Conference Room F

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 6 February 2018

Group of Landlocked Developing Countries (at the ambassadorial level)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Informal briefing for Colombo Process Member States (organized by the Permanent Mission of Nepal)

16:30 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room F

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link below
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Forthcoming other meetings

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Presentation on the Candidacy of Baku for World EXPO 2025 (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan)

Wednesday, 7 February 2018

12:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

For further information, please contact Mr. Ilkin Hajivey (646-738-6265).

Briefing to Member States on "Results of the survey to support the review of the standard rate of reimbursement to troop- and police-contributing countries" (organized by the Department of Field Support)

Wednesday, 7 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Briefing entitled "Artificial Intelligence: A Practical Introduction @TechNovation Talks" (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations Office of Information Communication Technology (OICT))

Thursday, 8 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room D

All are invited. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact Mr. Nicholas Mirabile, UNITAR New York Office (e-mails nicholas.mirabile@unitar.org, or nyo@unitar.org; 212-963-4611).

Event on the theme "Dimensions of Dialogue: Expanding Social Media as a Space for Constructive Encounter for Young People" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Austria, Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Spain and the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See, together with the KAICIID Dialogue Centre and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF))

Thursday, 8 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Pau Petit Iglesias (colaboradores.ppi@maec.es).

Third Commemoration of the International Day of Women and Girls in Science Forum (co-organized by the Royal Academy of Science International Trust, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica, Hungary, Malta and Viet Nam)

Thursday, 8 and Friday, 9 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Anneliese Sammut (anneliese.sammut@gov.mt); or *click here*.

Arab Group (First Committee experts)

Thursday, 8 February 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

International Telecommunication Union (ITU) briefing on "The role of ICTs in accelerating the achievement of the SDGs (HLPF 2018: Transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies" (co-organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and GSMA, the mobile industry association)

Thursday, 8 February 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sharon London, ITU Liaison Office to the United Nations (london@un.org; 212-963-6121).

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Material related to informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions, other meetings and side events should be addressed to the attention of Ms. Lilian Delgado (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 212-963-3888 and 963-0493; *Secretariat Building, 12th Floor, 01-C*). The *deadline* for submissions is 18:00, at least *two days in advance*.

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Official meetings

Security Council

10:00 — 8176th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

Adoption of the agenda

Security Council resolutions 1160 (1998), 1199 (1998), 1203 (1998), 1239 (1999) and 1244 (1999)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (S/2018/76)

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Security Council, Room S-2472, or e-mailed to dpa-scsb3@un.org. For queries, please call 212-963-5258. For more information, please visit the website of the Presidency of the Security Council (please, *click here*).

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General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group II (Dispute Settlement)

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf

Forty-sixth session

10:00 to 13:00	Plenary meeting (closed)	Conference Room 6
15:00 to 18:00	Plenary meeting (closed)	Conference Room 6

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from *Monday, 12 February 2018 to Friday, 2 March 2018, and from Monday, 12 March 2018 to Friday, 16 March 2018*, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2018 regular session

10:00 to 13:00	15th meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 1

Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council [item 4 (a)]

Other related matters [item 6 (c)]

Consideration of special reports [item 7]

New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification [item 3 (b)]

Adoption of the report of the Committee on its 2018 session [item 10]

(E/C.2/2018/1)

Background information on the Committee (its procedures, forms and documentation) is available on the website of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (*click here*).

Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.

Contacts to the secretariat of the Committee (Mr. Alexander Lomaia, lomaia@un.org, Mr. Victor Leu, leu@un.org and Ms. Lidija Komatina, komatina@un.org).

Commission for Social Development
Fifty-sixth session

10:00 to 13:00 — 11th plenary meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [item 2]

(E/CN.5/2018/L.1, E/CN.5/2018/L.2, E/CN.5/2018/L.3, E/CN.5/2G18/L.4 and E/CN.5/2018/L.5)

Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly [item 3]

Priority theme: strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all

Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups

World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons

Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities

World Programme of Action for Youth

Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002

Family issues, policies and programmes

Provisional agenda for the fifty-seventh session of the Commission

Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fifty-sixth session

Action on draft resolution E/CN.5/2018/L.5

Action on draft resolution E/CN.5/2018/L.4

Action on draft resolution "Strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all"

Action on draft resolution E/CN.5/2018/L.3

Action on draft proposal E/CN.5/2018/L.1

Adoption of the report of the Commission E/CN.5/2018/L.2

Closure of session 56th of the Commission

Opening of session 57th (for the sole purpose of election of officers)

Election of officers

15:00 to 18:00 [webcast] Conference Room 4

Continuation of the morning meeting, as necessary

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United Nations Children's Fund
Executive Board

08:30 to 09:45 Informal meeting (closed) Conference Room A

10:00 to 13:00 4th plenary meeting [webcast] Conference Room 3

UNICEF financial report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016 and report of the Board of Auditors [item 10]

Private Fundraising and Partnerships: 2018 workplan and proposed budget [item 11]

Plan for global thematic evaluations, 2018-2021 [item 7]

(A/72/5/Add.3, A/72/355/Add.1, A/72/537 and E/ICEF/2018/AB/L.1)

13:15 to 14:45 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 3

15:00 to 18:00 5th plenary meeting [webcast] Conference Room 3

Road map to a revision of the evaluation policy of UNICEF [item 8]

Evaluation report and management response [item 9]

Other matters [item 12]

(E/ICEF/2018/4 and E/ICEF/2018/5)

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Members of the Bureau of the UNICEF Executive Board who may wish to take the floor (organized by rank)

Representatives of United Nations Regional Groups speaking on behalf of their groups (organized by rank)

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Contacts: Dillon Leano (dleano *a* unicef.org, 212-326-7112), Hikari Arai (harai *a* unicef.org, 212-326-7091 or 212-326-7096).

The Western European and Other States Group *will meet daily* from 08:30 to 09:45, in Conference Room A.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Friday, 9 February 2018

10:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the proposed elements of the modalities draft resolution of the high-level meeting on the fight against tuberculosis.

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 29 January 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Thursday, 8 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Results of the revised survey to establish the standard rate of reimbursement to troop-contributing countries

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Forty-sixth session

Thursday, 8 to Friday, 9 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Plenary meeting (closed)	Conference Room 6
15:00 to 18:00	Plenary meeting (closed)	Conference Room 6

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Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Monday, 12 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	254th plenary meeting	Conference Room 1

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will hold its 2018 substantive session from Monday, 12 February 2018, to Friday, 9 March 2018. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 12 February 2018 at 10:00, in Conference Room 1.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 51/136, "those Member States which become personnel contributors to United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chair of the Committee, become members at the following session of the Committee become members at the following session of the Committee" (A/AC.121/2018/L.1, A/72/573, A/72/573/Add.1 and A/AC.121/2018/L.2 (to be issued)).

Member States wishing to submit such a request should address the request in advance of the session to the Chair of the Special Committee (Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Nigeria) and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat of the Committee.

States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to this session of the Special Committee should send a request to the Chair of the Special Committee (Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Nigeria), and are kindly requested to send a copy of

any such request to the secretariat of the Committee. The list of speakers for the general debate is open.

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal.

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact the DGACM Help-desk (help-desk@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the established practice, statements made by individual delegations shall not exceed 10 minutes, and statements made on behalf of a group of States shall not exceed 20 minutes.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least 2 hours in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.

The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery.

Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 20 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than one hour before delivery of the statement.

Members and observers of the Special Committee who wish to be included in the list of participants should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

Background information on the Special Committee will be available and accessible to Committee members and observers on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

Contacts: Sangeeta Sharma, Committee Secretary (sharma7@un.org), Henry Breed, Deputy Committee Secretary (breed@un.org); Lidija Komatina (for inquiries regarding the e-list of participants (komatina@un.org)), Tomas Casas (for inquiries regarding the e-list of speakers (casast@un.org)), Dino Del Vasto (del-vasto@un.org), DGACM Help-desk (help-desk@un.org).

High-level Preparatory Group on a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices

Thursday, 15 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Open-ended informal consultative meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00	Open-ended informal consultative meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2

Friday, 16 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Open-ended informal consultative meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00	Open-ended informal consultative meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2

Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices

In accordance with resolution A/RES/71/259, an open-ended informal consultative meeting, organized by the Chair of the high-level fissile material cut-off treaty expert

preparatory group will be held on a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices.

This meeting has been convened in order for the Chair to provide a report in her own capacity on the work of the high-level FMCT expert preparatory group.

All interested non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

Representatives of non-governmental organizations not in possession of a valid ground pass to the United Nations Headquarters in New York are requested to register with the Secretariat by 8 February 2018.

For further information, please contact the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs.

Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

Tuesday, 20 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

The Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization will hold its 2018 session from 20 to 28 February 2018.

The provisional agenda for the session is available on the website of the Special Committee (A/AC.182/L.147).

Other relevant documents for the session will also be posted on the website.

The list of speakers for the general debate, to be held on 20 February 2018, *is open*.

Delegations are urged to contact the secretariat of the Special Committee if they wish to be inscribed on the list.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 50/52 of 11 December 1995, the Special Committee is open to all States Members of the United Nations.

Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (6thcommittee@un.org).

Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

Thursday, 22 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 1st plenary meeting [webcast] Conference Room 1

Permanent missions are kindly requested to communicate to the secretariat of the Special Committee the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the

Special Committee in 2018. States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to the 2018 session of the Special Committee should send a request (scanned note verbale) to the secretariat (Mr. Irfan Soomro, soomroi@un.org) (A/AC.109/2018/L.1 and A/AC.109/2018/L.2).

Disarmament Commission

Wednesday, 21 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 1

Organizational session (A/CN.10/L.79 and A/CN.10/L.80)

Contacts: Mr. Alexander Lomaia, Secretary of the Commission (lomaia@un.org); Christa Giles, Deputy Secretary of the Commission (giles@un.org), Ms.Lidija Komatina (komatina@un.org) and Mr. Martin Vrastiak (vrastiak@un.org).

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board
First session

Tuesday, 13 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 2nd plenary meeting [webcast] Conference Room 3

15:00 to 18:00 3rd plenary meeting [webcast] Conference Room 3

Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available on the Executive Board website (*click here*).

Executive Board members, observers and other organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead) to the Board secretariat (unwsecretaryoftheeb@unwomen.org).

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat at least two hours in advance of their speaking slot. The statements will be accessible electronically via the PaperSmart Portal at the time of delivery, and will be under embargo until then.

Delegations are kindly requested to provide 15 hard copies of official statements for interpretation and other services, and are encouraged to carry their laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices to be able to access the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal.

A list of speakers will be prepared only for Briefing on UN-Women's follow-up to recommendations of the UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board.

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006)

Friday, 9 February 2018

10:00 to 12:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 3

Briefing to Member States

Military Staff Committee

Friday, 9 February 2018

11:00 to 13:00 — 1901st meeting (closed) — Conference Room 8

The question concerning Haiti: Military to Police transition (MINUJUSTH)

Letter dated 25 January 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Equatorial Guinea to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Military Staff Committee (MS/2018/07)

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1970 (2011) concerning Libya

Friday, 9 February 2018

15:00 to 17:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 7

Interim report of the Panel of Experts on Libya pursuant to resolution 2362 (2017)

Other matters

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Friday, 9 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 — Expert-level meeting — Conference Room 1

The Permanent Mission of Belgium will convene an expert-level discussion on the repositioning of the United Nations development system, in the context of the quadrennial comprehensive policy review (QCPR) of operational activities for development of the UN system, in preparation for the operational activities for development segment of the Council (*click here*).

All Member States are invited to attend.

For more information, please visit the website of the Council *click here*, or *here*.

Monday, 12 February 2018

15:00 to 15:15 Plenary meeting [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments.

A list of candidates for the election, as well as supporting documentation, can be consulted on Candiweb.

For more information, please visit the website of the Council (*click here*), for PaperSmart (*click here*).

Monday, 12 February 2018

15:15 to 18:00 Briefing Economic and Social Council Chamber

The Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, His Excellency Marc Pecsteen de Buytswerve (Belgium), will convene a briefing on the repositioning of the United Nations development system, in preparation for the operational activities for development segment of the Council.

All Member States are invited to attend. For more information, please visit the website of the Council (*click here*) or *here*.

Commission on the Status of Women

Thursday, 8 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Informal briefing Conference Room 4

Briefing convened by the facilitator, Vice-Chair (Colombia) on the draft agreed conclusions and by the facilitator, Vice-Chair (Bangladesh), to provide an update on consultations on how best to utilize the year 2020.

Additional information on the work of the Commission can be found on its website *(click here)*.

United Nations Children's Fund
Executive Board

Thursday, 8 February 2018

08:30 to 09:45 Informal meeting (closed) Conference Room A

10:00 to 12:00 6th plenary meeting [webcast] Conference Room 3

The Western European and Other States Group *will meet daily* from 08:30 to 09:45, in Conference Room A

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 6 February 2018

Security Council

[archived video]

8175th meeting

Implementation of the note by the President of the Security Council (S/2017/507)

Working Methods of the Security Council

Letter dated 24 January 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Kuwait to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2018/66)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representatives of Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belgium, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Guatemala, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Japan, Lebanon, Liechtenstein, Maldives, Mexico, Morocco, New Zealand, Norway, Pakistan, Portugal, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Slovakia, South Africa, Switzerland, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine, Uruguay and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Ian Martin, Executive Director of Security Council Report, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Martin.

Statements were made by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Kuwait, and by the representatives of the United States, the Russian Federation, France, Peru, Kazakhstan, Poland, Ethiopia, the United Kingdom, Côte d'Ivoire, Equatorial Guinea, Sweden, the Netherlands, the Plurinational State of Bolivia and China.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Japan, Brazil, Hungary, India, Switzerland (speaking on behalf of the Accountability, Coherence and Transparency (ACT) group), Germany, Norway, the Islamic Republic of Iran, South Africa, Argentina, Turkey, Pakistan, Estonia, Portugal, Lebanon, Morocco, Singapore, Colombia, Liechtenstein, Italy, Chile, New Zealand, Ukraine, Belgium, Indonesia, Bangladesh, Guatemala, Azerbaijan, Saudi Arabia, Australia, Finland, Thailand, Cuba, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Maldives, Mexico, Slovakia, Uruguay, Bahrain, Costa Rica, Algeria and Egypt.

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2018 regular session

[archived video]

13th meeting

Applications of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council that have merged with non-governmental organizations without such consultative status [item 3 (c)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba and the Sudan.

Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council [item 4 (b)]

Statements were made by the representatives of China, Cuba, the Russian Federation, Azerbaijan, Mauritania, the United States, Nicaragua, Greece, Israel, Pakistan and India.

The Acting Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

14th meeting

Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council [item 4 (b)]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 4 (b).

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, the Russian Federation, Pakistan, Turkey, China, the Islamic Republic of Iran and India.

Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council [item 4 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Turkey, China, Cuba, Nicaragua and the Sudan.

The Acting Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

The representatives of Cuba, the Russian Federation and the Islamic Republic of Iran posed questions, to which the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations responded: Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung e.V.; and Global Forum for Media Development.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 71/323, material published under the sections below is available in *English and French only*.

Informal meetings

The agenda of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/72/251, A/72/251/Add.1, A/72/252 or A/72/252/Add.1. The meetings under this header are closed.

Wednesday, 7 February 2018

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict: breaking the link between the illicit transaction of rough diamonds and armed conflict as a contribution to prevention and settlement of conflicts" (under agenda item 33) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Australia)

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room F

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 7 February 2018

Presentation on the Candidacy of Baku for World EXPO 2025 (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan)

12:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

For further information, please contact Mr. Ilkin Hajiyev (646-738-6265).

Briefing to Member States on "Results of the survey to support the review of the standard rate of reimbursement to troop- and police-contributing countries" (A/RES/67/261) (organized by the Department of Field Support)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

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Forthcoming other meetings

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Briefing entitled "Artificial Intelligence: A Practical Introduction @ TechNovation Talks" (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations Office of Information Communication Technology (OICT))

Thursday, 8 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room D

All are invited. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact Mr. Nicholas Mirabile, UNITAR New York Office (e-mails nicholas.mirabile@unitar.org, or nyo@unitar.org; 212-963-4611).

Event on the theme "Dimensions of Dialogue: Expanding Social Media as a Space for Constructive Encounter for Young People" (A/RES/65/5) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Austria, Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Spain and the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See, together with the KAICIID Dialogue Centre and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF))

Thursday, 8 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Pau Petit Iglesias (colaboradores.ppi@maec.es).

Third Commemoration of the International Day of Women and Girls in Science Forum (A/RES/70/212) (co-organized by the Royal Academy of Science International Trust, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica, Hungary, Malta and Viet Nam)

Thursday, 8 and Friday, 9 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Anneliese Sammut (anneliese.sammut@gov.mt); or *click here*.

Arab Group (First Committee experts)

Thursday, 8 February 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

International Telecommunication Union (ITU) briefing on "The role of ICTs in accelerating the achievement of the SDGs (HLPF 2018: Transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies" (co-organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and GSMA, the mobile industry association)

Thursday, 8 February 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sharon London, ITU Liaison Office to the United Nations (london@un.org; 212-963-6121).

Global launch entitled "Cradled by Conflict – Child Involvement with Armed Groups in Contemporary Conflict" (A/RES/51/77) (co-organized by the United Nations University (UNU) and the Permanent Missions of Luxembourg and Switzerland)

Monday, 12 February 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 6

For further information, please contact Ms. Alexandra Cerquone, UNU (cerquone@unu.edu); for registration, *click here*.

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Official meetings

Security Council

09:30 — 8177th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

Adoption of the agenda

Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan

Letter dated 28 December 2017 from the Panel of Experts on the Sudan established pursuant to resolution 1591 (2005) addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2017/1125)

Morning — 8178th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

Adoption of the agenda

Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts

Sixth report of the Secretary-General on the threat posed by ISIL (Da'esh) to international peace and security and the range of United Nations efforts in support of Member States in countering the threat (S/2018/80)

Morning — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts (S/2018/80)

Other matters

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Pursuant to the same resolution, all content related to official meetings, including summaries, is available in the six official languages, in compliance with rule 55 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, while *other meetings and information will continue to be published in English and French only*.

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Results of the revised survey to establish the standard rate of reimbursement to troop-contributing countries	
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group II (Dispute Settlement)

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf

Forty-sixth session

10:00 to 13:00	Plenary meeting (closed)	Conference Room 6
15:00 to 18:00	Plenary meeting (closed)	Conference Room 6
	There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from *Monday, 12 February 2018 to Friday, 2 March 2018, and from Monday, 12 March 2018 to Friday, 16 March 2018*, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).	

Security Council

Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 751 (1992) and 1907 (2009) concerning Somalia and Eritrea

16:30 to 18:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 7

Meeting with the Federal Republic of Somalia

Other matters

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Commission on the Status of Women

15:00 to 18:00 — Informal briefing — Conference Room 4

Briefing convened by the facilitator, Vice-Chair (Colombia) on the draft agreed conclusions and by the facilitator, Vice-Chair (Bangladesh), to provide an update on consultations on how best to utilize the year 2020.

Additional information on the work of the Commission can be found on its website *(click here)*.

Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund

08:30 to 09:45 — Informal meeting (closed) — Conference Room A

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Friday, 9 February 2018

10:00 — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the proposed elements of the modalities draft resolution of the high-level meeting on the fight against tuberculosis.

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 29 January 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

High-level Preparatory Group on a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices

Thursday, 15 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Open-ended informal consultative meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00	Open-ended informal consultative meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2

Friday, 16 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Open-ended informal consultative meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00	Open-ended informal consultative meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2

Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices

In accordance with resolution A/RES/71/259, an open-ended informal consultative meeting, organized by the Chair of the high-level fissile material cut-off treaty expert preparatory group will be held on a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices.

This meeting has been convened in order for the Chair to provide a report in her own capacity on the work of the high-level FMCT expert preparatory group.

All interested non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

Representatives of non-governmental organizations not in possession of a valid ground pass to the United Nations Headquarters in New York are requested to register with the Secretariat by Thursday, 8 February 2018.

For further information, please contact the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs.

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf

Forty-sixth session

Friday, 9 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Plenary meeting (closed)	Conference Room 6
15:00 to 18:00	Plenary meeting (closed)	Conference Room 6

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from *Monday, 12 February to Friday, 2 March 2018, and from Monday, 12 to Friday, 16 March 2018*, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Monday, 12 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00	254th plenary meeting	Conference Room 1

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will hold its 2018 substantive session from Monday, 12 February 2018, to Friday, 9 March 2018. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 12 February 2018, at 10:00, in Conference Room 1.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 51/136, "those Member States which become personnel contributors to United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chair of the Committee, become members at the following session of the Committee become members at the following session of the Committee" (A/AC.121/2018/L.1, A/72/573, A/72/573/Add.1 and A/AC.121/2018/L.2 (to be issued)).

Member States wishing to submit such a request should address the request in advance of the session to the Chair of the Special Committee (Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Nigeria) and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat of the Committee.

States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to this session of the Special Committee should send a request to the Chair of the Special Committee (Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Nigeria), and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat of the Committee. The list of speakers for the general debate is open.

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal.

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact the DGACM Help-desk (help-desk@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the established practice, statements made by individual delegations shall not exceed 10 minutes, and statements made on behalf of a group of States shall not exceed 20 minutes.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least 2 hours in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.

The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery.

Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 20 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than one hour before delivery of the statement.

Members and observers of the Special Committee who wish to be included in the list of participants should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

Background information on the Special Committee will be available and accessible to Committee members and observers on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

Contacts: Ms. Sangeeta Sharma, Committee Secretary (sharma7@un.org), Mr. Henry Breed, Deputy Committee Secretary (breed@un.org); Ms. Lidija Komatina (for inquiries regarding the e-list of participants (komatina@un.org)), Mr. Tomas Casas (for inquiries regarding the e-list of speakers (casast@un.org)), Mr. Dino Del Vasto (del-vasto@un.org), DGACM Help-desk (help-desk@un.org).

Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

Tuesday, 20 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

The Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization will hold its 2018 session from 20 to 28 February 2018.

The provisional agenda for the session is available on the website of the Special Committee (A/AC.182/L.147).

Other relevant documents for the session will also be posted on the website.

The list of speakers for the general debate, to be held on 20 February 2018, *is open*.

Delegations are urged to contact the secretariat of the Special Committee if they wish to be inscribed on the list.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 50/52 of 11 December 1995, the Special Committee is open to all States Members of the United Nations.

Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (6thcommittee@un.org).

Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

Thursday, 22 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 1st plenary meeting [webcast] Conference Room 1

Permanent missions are kindly requested to communicate to the secretariat of the Special Committee the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Special Committee in 2018. States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to the 2018 session of the Special Committee should send a request (scanned note verbale) to the secretariat (Mr. Irfan Soomro, soomroi@un.org) (A/AC.109/2018/L.1 and A/AC.109/2018/L.2).

Disarmament Commission

Wednesday, 21 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 1

Organizational session (A/CN.10/L.79 and A/CN.10/L.80)

Contacts: Mr. Alexander Lomaia, Secretary of the Commission (lomaia@un.org); Ms. Christa Giles, Deputy Secretary of the Commission (giles@un.org), Ms.Lidija Komatina (komatina@un.org) and Mr. Martin Vrastiak (vrastiak@un.org).

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission

Country-Specific Configuration on Guinea-Bissau

Monday, 12 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Informal meeting Conference Room 7

Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

First session

Tuesday, 13 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 2nd plenary meeting [webcast] Conference Room 3

(UNW/2018/L.1, UNW/2018/L.2 and UNW/2017/11)

Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available on the Executive Board website (*click here*).

Executive Board members, observers and other organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead) to the Board secretariat (unwsecretaryoftheeb@unwomen.org).

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat at least two hours in advance of their speaking slot. The statements will be accessible electronically via the PaperSmart Portal at the time of delivery, and will be under embargo until then.

Delegations are kindly requested to provide 15 hard copies of official statements for interpretation and other services, and are encouraged to carry their laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices to be able to access the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal.

A list of speakers will be prepared only for 3 [a] and 1 [c] combined.

The time limit set for delivering statements during the general discussion is 5 minutes for speakers on behalf of groups and 3 minutes for individual delegations.

For inscription on the list of speakers for 3 [a] and 1 [c] combined, please contact the Board secretariat by e-mail, as early as possible, but no later than 12 February 2018.

15:00 to 18:00 3rd plenary meeting [webcast] Conference Room 3

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006)

Friday, 9 February 2018

10:00 to 12:00 Closed briefing Conference Room 3

Briefing to Member States

Military Staff Committee

Friday, 9 February 2018

11:00 to 13:00 — 1901st meeting (closed) — Conference Room 8

The question concerning Haiti: Military to Police transition (MINUJUSTH)

Letter dated 25 January 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Equatorial Guinea to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Military Staff Committee (MS/2018/07)

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1970 (2011) concerning Libya

Friday, 9 February 2018

15:00 to 17:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 7

Interim report of the Panel of Experts on Libya pursuant to resolution 2362 (2017)

Other matters

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Monday, 12 February 2018

15:00 to 15:15 — Plenary meeting [webcast] — Economic and Social Council Chamber

Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments.

A list of candidates for the election, as well as supporting documentation, can be consulted on Candidweb.

For more information, please visit the website of the Council (*click here*), for PaperSmart (*click here*).

Monday, 12 February 2018

15:15 to 18:00 — Briefing — Economic and Social Council Chamber

The Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, His Excellency Marc Pecsteen de Buytswerve (Belgium), will convene a briefing on the repositioning of the United Nations development system, in preparation for the operational activities for development segment of the Council.

All Member States are invited to attend. For more information, please visit the website of the Council (*click here*) or *here*.

Friday, 16 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 — Briefing — Economic and Social Council Chamber

The Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, His Excellency Marc Pecsteen de Buytswerve (Belgium), will convene a briefing on the repositioning of the United

Nations development system, in preparation for the operational activities for development segment of the Council (*click here*). All Member States are invited to attend.

Tuesday, 27 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

Operational activities for development segment

Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation

Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly and the Council;

Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund/United Nations Office for Project Services, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

South-South cooperation for development.

The Economic and Social Council will hold the operational activities for development segment (item 7 as a whole) of its 2018 agenda (E/2018/1).

The operational activities for development segment will be chaired by the Vice-President of the Council (Belgium).

Additional information on the operational activities for development segment is available on the website of the Council (*click here*).

For further details, please contact the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (bonacito@un.org, patelk@un.org).

The general discussion of agenda item 7 as a whole will be held on 28 February 2018, from 16:30 to 18:00, and on 1 March 2018, from 11:30 to 13:00.

The time limit set for statements during the general discussion is 5 minutes for speakers on behalf of groups and 3 minutes for individual delegations.

Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be submitted through the ECOSOC e-Speakers module in e-deleGATE (*click here*). An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription.

Intergovernmental organizations and the United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers should send, in writing, the full name and title of the speaker to the Office of the Secretary of the Council.

For inclusion in the list of participants, the names of representatives and alternates attending the segment should be registered through the ECOSOC e-List of Participants module in e-deleGATE.

Delegations are advised that only one list of participants will be issued at the conclusion of the 2018 session of the Council.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal (click here) should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery (papersmart2@un.org). PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery.

Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 30 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than 1 hour(s) before delivery of the statement. For more information, please *click here*.

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 7 February 2018

Security Council

[archived video]

8176th meeting

Security Council resolutions 1160 (1998), 1199 (1998), 1203 (1998), 1239 (1999) and 1244 (1999)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (S/2018/76)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of Serbia to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Zahir Tanin, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Ms. Vlora Çitaku to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Tanin (via video-teleconference from Pristina).

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Ivica Dačić, First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia.

The Council heard a statement by Ms. Çitaku.

Statements were made by the representatives of Kazakhstan, France, China, Ethiopia, Equatorial Guinea, Poland, the Russian Federation, Sweden, the United Kingdom, the United States, the Netherlands, Côte d'Ivoire, the Plurinational State of Bolivia and Peru; and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Kuwait.

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2018 regular session

[archived video]

15th meeting

Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council [item 4 (a)]

The Committee resumed consideration of this item.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Cuba, China, the Russian Federation, Nicaragua, Mauritania and Turkey.

Other related matters [item 6 (c)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Nicaragua, Mauritania, China, Israel and Turkey.

The Committee took note of the name change requests of five non-governmental organizations.

The Committee took note of the withdrawal of consultative status of three non-governmental organizations.

The Acting Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

The Secretary of the Committee provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

Consideration of special reports [item 7]

The Chair informed the members of the Committee that there are no special reports submitted under this agenda item.

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

The Committee decided to recommend to the Economic and Social Council to close, without prejudice, 16 applications for consultative status of non-governmental organizations, who have not responded to the last three reminders.

Adoption of the report of the Committee [item 10]

The Rapporteur of the Committee, Mr. Farid Jabrayilov (Azerbaijan), introduced the draft report of the Committee on its regular 2018 session, as contained in document E/C.2/2018/CRP.34.

The representative of Cuba made a statement.

The Committee authorized the Rapporteur to finalize the draft report, in consultation with the members of the Committee, and with support of the Secretariat.

The Chair made a statement.

The 2018 regular session of the Committee was suspended.

Commission for Social Development
Fifty-sixth session

[archived video]

11th meeting

Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly [item 3]

(b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups

Panel discussion on "Towards inclusive, resilient and sustainable development: an evidence-based approach to the mainstreaming of disability in the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the 2030 Agenda"

The Commission resumed its consideration of the sub-item and heard a presentation by Mr. Mesbah Ansari, Deputy Director for Human Rights at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [item 2]

The Commission resumed its consideration of the agenda item.

Action on draft resolution E/CN.5/2018/L.5

The Commission was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Secretary of the Commission orally corrected operative paragraph 4 of the draft resolution.

The Commission adopted the draft resolution, as orally corrected, and recommended it to the Economic and Social Council for its final adoption.

Before the adoption, the representative of the United States made a statement.

After the adoption, the representative of El Salvador made a statement.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of the agenda item.

Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly [item 3]

The Commission resumed its consideration of the agenda item.

Introduction of and action on draft resolution E/CN.5/2018/L.4

The observer for Egypt, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, introduced the draft resolution and orally revised preambular paragraph 29 of the draft resolution.

Turkey joined as a co-sponsor of the draft resolution, as orally revised.

The Commission was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Commission adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, and recommended it to the Economic and Social Council for its final adoption.

Before the adoption, the representative of the United States made a statement.

(a) Priority theme: Strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all

Action on draft resolution entitled "Strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all"

The Commission was informed that the draft resolution, as contained in an informal paper circulated in the conference room, in English only, contained no programme budget implications.

The Commission adopted the draft resolution and recommended it to the Economic and Social Council for its final adoption.

After the adoption, statements were made by the representatives of El Salvador and the United States, as well as by the observer for the Holy See.

(b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups

(i) World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons

(ii) Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities

(iii) World Programme of Action for Youth

(iv) Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002

(v) Family issues, policies and programmes

Action on draft resolution E/CN.5/2018/L.3

The Commission was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Commission adopted the draft resolution and recommended it to the Economic and Social Council for its final adoption.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Chair, the Commission decided to take note of the report of the Secretary-General contained in document A/73/61/E/2018/4 and the note by the Secretariat contained in document E/CN.5/2018/5 submitted under agenda item 3.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 3, as a whole.

Provisional agenda for the fifty-seventh session of the Commission [item 5]

The Commission adopted the provisional agenda for its next session, as contained in document E/CN.5/2018/L.1.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of the agenda item.

Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fifty-sixth session [item 6]

The Vice-Chair-cum-Rapporteur of the Commission (Romania) introduced the draft report of the Commission, as contained in document E/CN.5/2018/L.2.

The Commission adopted the draft report on its fifty-sixth session and entrusted the Secretariat, in consultation with the Rapporteur, with its finalization.

Closure of the session

The Chair (Iceland) made a closing statement and declared closed the fifty-sixth session of the Commission.

Commission for Social Development
Fifty-seventh session

[archived video]

1st meeting

The Chair of the fifty-sixth session (Iceland), opened the fifty-seventh session.

Election of officers [item 1]

The Commission then elected, by acclamation, Ms. Sama Salem Poules (Iraq) as Vice-Chair of the Commission for its fifty-seventh session.

The Commission postponed the election of the remaining four officers, on the understanding that upon nomination by their respective groups, candidates would be allowed to participate in the meetings of the Bureau held in preparation of the fifty-seventh session of the Commission.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 71/323, material published under the sections below is available in *English and French only*.

Other meetings

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Thursday, 8 February 2018

Briefing entitled "Artificial Intelligence: A Practical Introduction @TechNovation Talks" (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations Office of Information Communication Technology (OICT))

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room D

All are invited. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact Mr. Nicholas Mirabile, UNITAR New York Office (e-mails nicholas.mirabile@unitar.org, or nyo@unitar.org; 212-963-4611).

Event on the theme "Dimensions of Dialogue: Expanding Social Media as a Space for Constructive Encounter for Young People" (A/RES/65/5) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Austria, Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Spain and the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See, together with the KAICIID Dialogue Centre and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF))

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Pau Petit Iglesias (colaboradores.ppi@maec.es).

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 4

15:00 to 17:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 1

Group of 77 (on Third Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room B

Group of 77 (on Oceans and the Law of the Sea)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room B

Third Commemoration of the International Day of Women and Girls in Science Forum (A/RES/70/212) (co-organized by the Royal Academy of Science International Trust, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica, Hungary, Malta and Viet Nam)

10:00 to 13:00 [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00 [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Anneliese Sammut (anneliese.sammut@gov.mt); or *click here*.

Arab Group (First Committee experts)

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

International Telecommunication Union (ITU) briefing on "The role of ICTs in accelerating the achievement of the SDGs (HLPF 2018: Transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies" (A/RES/70/1 and A/RES/70/299) (co-organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and GSMA, the mobile industry association)

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sharon London (london@un.org; 212-963-6121).

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link below *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming informal meetings

The agenda of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/72/251, A/72/251/Add.1, A/72/252 or A/72/252/Add.1. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the United Nations Disarmament Commission agenda (under agenda items 4 and 5) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Australia)

Friday, 9 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 12

Forthcoming other meetings

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Third Commemoration of the International Day of Women and Girls in Science Forum (A/RES/70/212) (co-organized by the Royal Academy of Science International Trust, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica, Hungary, Malta and Viet Nam)

Friday, 9 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00 [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Anneliese Sammut (anneliese.sammut@gov.mt); or *click here*.

Global launch entitled "Cradled by Conflict – Child Involvement with Armed Groups in Contemporary Conflict" (A/RES/51/77) (co-organized by the United Nations University (UNU) and the Permanent Missions of Luxembourg and Switzerland)

Monday, 12 February 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Alexandra Cerquone, UNU (cerquone@unu.edu); for registration, *click here*.

Sixteenth Coordination Meeting on International Migration (A/RES/58/208) (organized by the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Thursday, 15 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Friday, 16 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 5

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Population Division (migrationp@un.org; or *click here*); for registration, *click here*.

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